

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Contact: Darren Rogers  
Senior Director, Communications & Media Services  
Churchill Downs Racetrack  
(502) 636-4461 (office)  
(502) 345-1030 (mobile)  
[Darren.Rogers@KyDerby.com](mailto:Darren.Rogers@KyDerby.com)

## BELL'S THE ONE OUT-KICKS SCONSIN IN ROXELANA AT CHURCHILL DOWNS

**LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Saturday, June 19, 2021)** – **Bell's the One**, winner of the \$500,000 Derby City Distaff (Grade I) last September, ran down Winning Colors (GIII) heroine and 6-5 favorite **Sconsin** in deep stretch to prevail in Saturday's 11<sup>th</sup> running of the \$109,300 Roxelana Overnight Stakes at Churchill Downs by three-quarters of a length.

Bell's the One, owned by **Bob Lothenbach's Lothenbach Stables Inc.**, ran 6 ½ furlongs over a fast track in 1:14.90 – just 0.56 off **Love At Noon's** 2001 track record – under jockey **Corey Lanerie** for trainer **Neil Pessin**.

The triumph was worth \$67,035 and the first-prize made Bell's the One horse racing's newest millionaire. Her career record now stands at 18-8-3-2—\$1,016,825.

**Four Graces**, last year's \$100,000 Dogwood (GIII) and \$98,000 Beaumont (GIII) winner who was making her first start after a 245-day break, led the field of six fillies and mares through early quarter-mile splits of :22.56 and :45.19 with **Jungle Juice (IRE)** in close pursuit to her outside, two-time graded stakes winner Sconsin a length back in third and Bell's the One another length back in fourth and in the clear while heading into the turn.

Exiting the turn, Four Graces, Jungle Juice (IRE) and Sconsin were three in a line with Bell's the One making a bold wide move. Sconsin poked her head in front with three-sixteenths of a mile to run but was quickly met by Bell's the One at the final furlong marker and she out-kicked that rival for her sixth career stakes win.

"We're proud of her and she ran a good race," trainer **Greg Foley** said of the favorite Sconsin. "She got beat today by a nice mare."

In her previous start, Bell's the One finished fourth – behind champion **Gamine**, Sconsin and **Estilo Talentoso** – while attempting to defend her Derby City Distaff title seven weeks ago on Kentucky Derby Day.

"Today I let her run a little bit out of the gate because I didn't think the pace would be too fast," Lanerie said. "Then, I was sort of in the pocket (inside of Sconsin) and I didn't really like my spot because I know she needs to be outside of horses. I took her back from there to make sure I got first run at Sconsin. You could tell she was ready to run a big race and Neil had her ready to go."

Bell's the One returned \$6.20, \$2.80 and \$2.20 as the 2-1 third betting choice. Sconsin, under **Tyler Gaffalione**, returned \$2.60 and \$2.10. Miss Mosaic, under **Colby Hernandez**, rallied to finish another 1 ¾ lengths back of the runner-up in third paid \$4 to show at odds of 26-1. Four Graces was another 2 ¾ lengths back in fourth and was followed by **Shesomajestic** and Jungle Juice (IRE).

Bell's the One is a daughter of Majesticperfection out of the Street Cry (IRE) mare Street Mate and was bred in Kentucky by **Bret Jones**.

At age 2, Bell's the One won the \$74,250 Letellier Memorial at Fair Grounds at age 2 and the \$250,000 Raven Run (GII) at Keeneland at age 3. In addition to winning last year's Derby City Distaff, she won the \$100,000 Winning Colors (GIII) in May.

"The last four or five days you could tell in her training she was ready to run a big race," Pessin said. "She got a much better trip today than in her last start. Now, we'll look to get her ready for the (Nov. 6) Breeders' Cup. She'll likely run in the (Breeders' Cup) 'Win and You're In' at Keeneland (the Grade II Thoroughbred Club of America). I'm not sure yet if I'll run her once before then or not. We'll wait and see but the goal is the Breeders' Cup (at Del Mar) at the end of the year."

Saturday's Roxelana annually honors the crack female sprinter who won seven of 11 starts and \$264,726 between 2000-03 for owner/breeder **William Landes III** and trainer **William "Blackie" Huffman**.

Racing at Churchill Downs continues Sunday with a 10-race program that begins at 12:45 p.m. (all times Eastern).

#### **ROXELANA QUOTES**

**Corey Lanerie, jockey of BELL'S THE ONE (winner):** "Today I let her run a little bit out of the gate because I didn't think the pace would be too fast. Then, I was sort of in the pocket (inside of Sconsin) and I didn't really like my spot because I know she needs to be outside of horses. I took her back from there to make sure I got first run at Sconsin. You could tell she was ready to run a big race and Neil had her ready to go."

**Neil Pessin, trainer of BELL'S THE ONE (winner):** "The last four or five days you could tell in her training she was ready to run a big race. She got a much better trip today than in her last start. Now, we'll look to get her ready for the Breeders' Cup. She'll likely run in the (Breeders' Cup) 'Win and You're In' at Keeneland (Grade II, Thoroughbred Club of America). I'm not sure yet if I'll run her once before then or not. We'll wait and see but the goal is the Breeders' Cup at the end of the year."

**Greg Foley, trainer of SCONSIN (runner-up):** "We're proud of her and she ran a good race. She got beat today by a nice mare."

-END-